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Title : LIGHT EMITTING DEVICE, ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT AND APPARATUS
FOR MANUFACTURING THE SAME

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REPLY TO ACTION OF NOVEMBER 14, 2005

Claims 1-12 are pending in the application, with claims 1, 2 and 12 being independent.

The claims have been rejected as being anticipated by Winters (U.S. Patent No. 6,737,800) or as being unpatentable over Winters in view of Hadley (U.S. Patent No. 6,590,346). Applicants traverse these rejections.

Claim 1 recites a light emitting device having a pixel portion that includes “a light emitting element comprising: a first transparent electrode; a second transparent electrode; and a layer between the first and second transparent electrodes ... wherein the light emitting element simultaneously generates blue color light, phosphorescence from the organic metal complex, and *excimer light emission* from the organic metal complex so as to generate white color light emission, wherein *white color light emission* passing through the first transparent electrode generates a full color display ... , and wherein *white color light emission* passing through the second transparent electrode generates a monochrome display ...” (emphasis added). Applicants request reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection of claim 1, and its dependent claims, because neither Winters, Hadley, nor any combination of the two describes or suggests the recited light emitting device that uses white color light emission to generate a full color display and to also generate a monochrome display in the same device. Moreover, applicants also request reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection of claim 1, and its dependent claims, because neither Winters, Hadley, nor any combination of the two describes or suggests the recited light emitting device that generates excimer light emission from an organic metal complex so as to generate white color light emission.